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憂国のモリアーティ

MORIARTY THE PATRIOT

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REPORT OF THE FIRST SON ALBERT
LONDON
MILITARY DEPART-MENT
NEW TYPE OF OPIUM ?
YES
WE THINK THE BASE IS HERE IN LONDON AND THE MAFIA IS THE DISTRIBUTOR
WE THINK IT'S ALREADY SPREAD TO THE PROVINCES AND HIGH SOCIETY
OPIUM TINCTURE
WE HAVE ALSO LEARN THAT IT IS MORE TOXIC THAN UP UNTIL NOW
OPIUM
THIS IS A DECLARATION OF WAR AGAINST THIS COUNTRY !

I THINK WE, THE MILITARY, SHOULD DO A SEARCH & DESTROY OPERATION AGAINST THE MAFIA
WAIT A MOMENT LIEUTE-NANT COLONEL
OPIUM IS DANGE-ROUS AND HARD TO HANDLE
THAT'S RIGHT .....
WE MUST FIRST MAKE SURE THAT NO OFFICERS IS INVOLVED
WE MUST GRASP WHO'S BEHIND THIS
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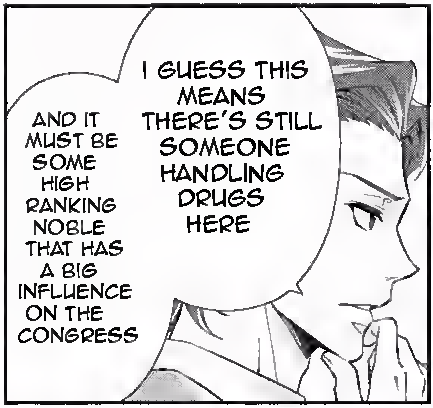
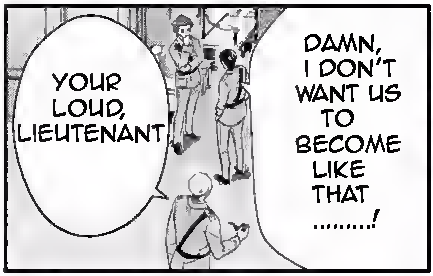
DID YOU INVESTIGATE THE SOURCE ? IT'D BE TROUBLESOME TO FIND SOME CONNECTION TO THE MILITARY
WELL, I DON'T KNOW
SHOULD WE NOT BRING UP POLITICAL ISSUES HERE ?

WITH JUST THIS LEVEL OF PROOF, THE MILITARY WON'T MOVE
B-BUT!
.....
WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU SAYING? CITIZENS ARE THE VICTIMS HERE
WE EVEN HAVE THE OPIUM HERE!
"THE COUNCIL DANCES BUT DOESN'T MOVE"
WHA.... THOSE KIND OF IMPORTANT PEOPLE .....?
YEAH
IF A HIGHER CLASS NOBLE
LIKE A DUKE OR ROYALTY, WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING
THERE'S NO HELPING IT
SO ANNOYING! WHY IS DIPLOMACY SO WEAK?!

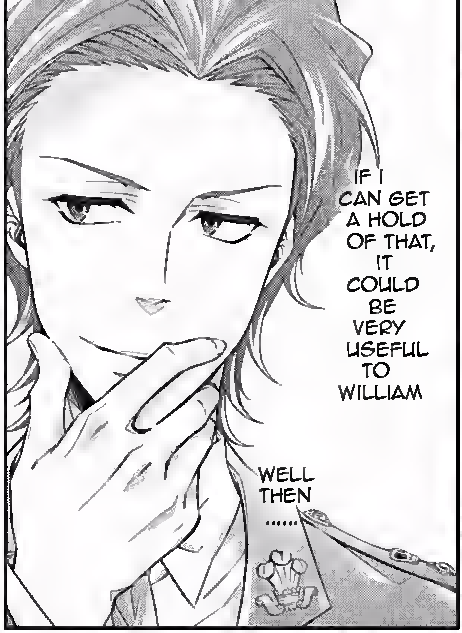
IN THE YEAR 1874, THE ASSOCIATION OF EAST INDIA DISAPPEARED AND THE SOVEREIGNTY WAS CHANGED TO QUEEN VICTORIA
Bombay
Calcutta
Madras
Hong Kong
AT THE SAME THE AJA AND OPIUM WAS CIRCULATING. GIVING AWAY BY THE ORGANISATION. THOSE WERE SECRETLY HANDLED BY THE MILITARY AND HIGH-RANKING NOBLE


I GUESS THIS MEANS THERE'S STILL SOMEONE HANDLING DRUGS HERE
AND IT MUST BE SOME HIGH RANKING NOBLE THAT HAS A BIG INFLUENCE ON THE CONGRESS

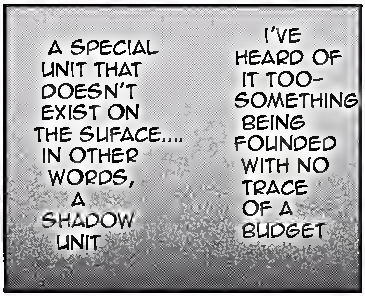

DAMN, I DON'T WANT US TO BECOME LIKE THAT .....!
YOUR LOUD, LIEUTENANT

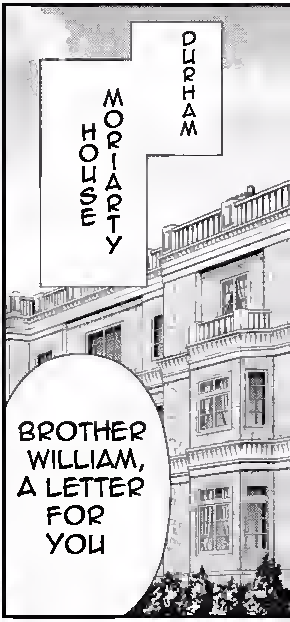
PLEASE FORGIVE ME
COLONEL
EVEN WITHIN THE MILITARY THERE ARE MEMBERS CLOSER TO ONE ANOTHER
WE ARE NOT ONLY ONE ENTITY

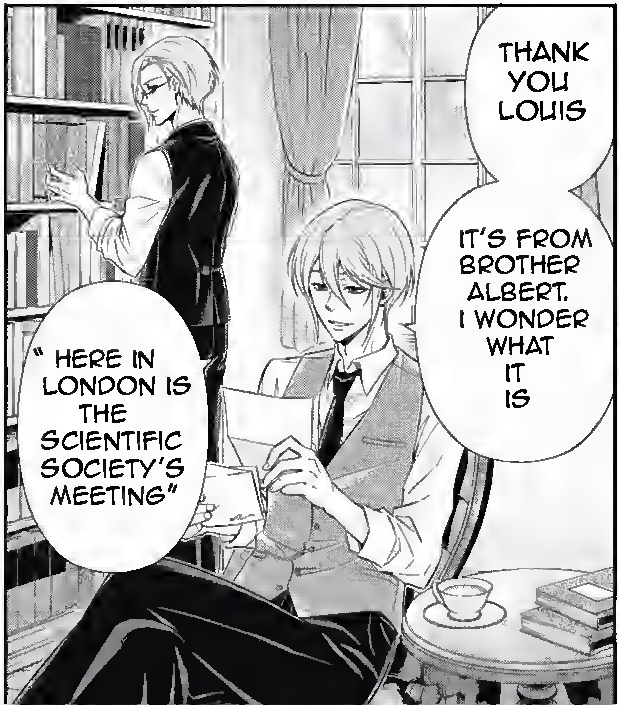
AS LONG AS THERE IS A POSSIBILITY, THE CONGRESS WON'T GIVE THE ORDER TO ATTACK
RIGHT
AND IF WE WERE TO DISCOVER TIES BETWEEN THE MAFIA AND THE MILITARY
THERE COULD BE A POLITICAL FIGHT BETWEEN THE MILITARY AND THE COUNCIL
!
THE INTELLIGENCE BUREAU'S DIRECTOR IS ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL UNIT. MAYBE THEY COULD .....
NO ..... THINKING ABOUT IT .....
THEN, WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING
WHEN THE GOVERNMENT IS UNDER ENEMY CONTROL, ISN'T THIS PRECISELY THE MOMENT TO USE THAT UNIT?!
UNDER THE DIRECT COMMAND OF THE QUEEN...! ONLY DISPATCHING DURING A STATE CRISIS. EVEN THE CONGRESS DOESN'T KNOW OF THEIR EXISTENCE


IF I CAN GET A HOLD OF THAT, IT COULD BE VERY USEFUL TO WILLIAM
WELL THEN .....

LIEUTENANT, THAT IS ONLY A RUMOR
..... IS THAT SO .....


I'VE HEARD OF IT TOO- SOMETHING BEING FOUNDED WITH NO TRACE OF A BUDGET
A SPECIAL UNIT THAT DOESN'T EXIST ON THE SUFACE.... IN OTHER WORDS, A SHADOW UNIT

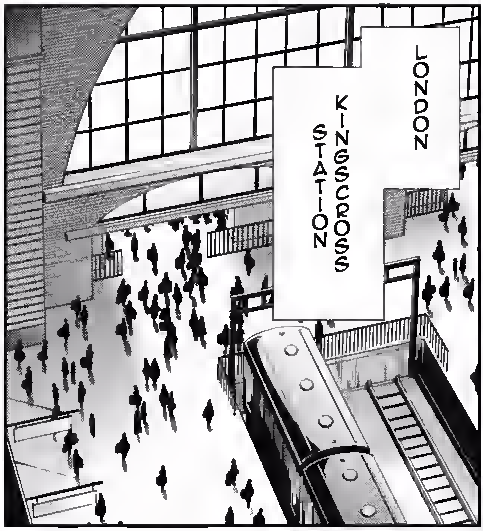

DURHAM HOUSE MORIARTY
BROTHER WILLIAM, A LETTER FOR YOU


THANK YOU LOUIS
IT'S FROM BROTHER ALBERT. I WONDER WHAT IT IS
" HERE IN LONDON IS THE SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY'S MEETING"

ACADEMIC MEETING
.....
THINKING ABOUT IT, YOU'VE BEEN ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT WRITTING YOUR THESIS LATELY
IS THAT DUE ?
YES, FOR NEXT MONTH
DID YOU SAY LONDON?! I'M GOING TOO !!
IF I STAY HERE, I'LL DIE OF BOREDOM
THAT'S FINE,MORAN. I'LL MAKE YOU WORK HARD
OHH! IT'S A JOB ?
YEAH
IT'S A REQUEST FROM BROTHER ALBERT
ONE MONTH LATER
LONDON, MILITARY FACILITIES, DEPARTEMENT OF INTELLIGENCE
WHAT COULD SOMEONE WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE INDIAN WAR, WANT WITH SOMEONE IN CHARGE OF THE INTELLIGENCE AT THIS LATE HOUR ?

DIRECTOR
.....
PLEASE DO NOT WORRY ABOUT IT
LIEUTENANT MORIARTY
I SIMPLY CAME HERE TO TALK TO MYSELF
I THINK THAT CONSIDERING THE PRESENT BOUNDARIES OF SOCIETY, ONE WOULD NEED TO SECURE A VERY BIG BUDGET
HOWEVER, THOSE BUDGET ARE ALL GOING TO THE MARINES, WHO ARE THE ONES EXPENDING OUR TERRITORIES
.....
CONCERNING A UNIT UNKNOWN TO THE PUBLIC
.....

.....
EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS MATTER
AND SO, FOR THIS TO BE POSSIBLE, YOU'D NEED ENOUGH INFLUENCE AND FUNDS TO SHUT THEM UP
IF THIS WERE TO BE UNDER DIRECT ORDERS FROM THE QUEEN, HOWEVER, IT WOULD MAKE THE PURPOSE UNCLEAR AND THE OPPOSITION OF THE CONGRESS WOULD BE STRONGER
.....
HO?
YOU MAKE ME CURIOUS .....
I WOULD BE WILLING TO RESOLVE IT


LONDON
KINGSCROSS
STATION

AH~
WE'RE
FINALLY
HERE

BROTHER ALBERT AND M.MORAN GET ALONG WELL, AFTER ALL
IT'S SOMETHING LIKE AN EXERCICE TO GET READY TO DRINK WITH ALBERT
YOU WERE DRINKING THE WHOLE WAY HERE ..... ARE YOU ALRIGHT ?
DO YOU KNOW WHAT HE DID TO ME IN INDIA ?!
HM! YOU LISTENING ?
BROTHER, ARE WE GOING TO THE SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY AT LONDON'S UNIVERSITY BY CARRIAGE
YEAH
THAT AIN'T IT !!
I AIN'T GETTING ALONG !!
WITH THAT GUY !!
I'LL GO BUY SOME ALCOOL
TCH
THANKS LOUIS
I'LL GO CALL FOR A CARRIAGE THEN

.....
SIR MORIARTY ?
YES ?
.....?
.....
EH .....
DO IT !!
NO DOUBT, IT'S HIM
DO YOU HAVE SOME BUSINESS WITH ME ?

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BROTHER
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GO!
STOP !!
THAT CARRIAGE !!
LOU
HEY THERE
IF YOU MAKE A FUZZ, I'LL KILL YOU .....
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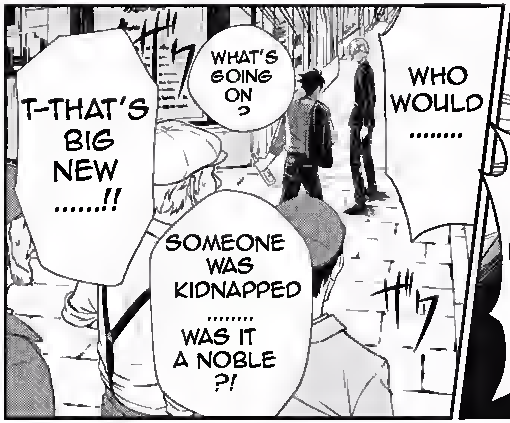
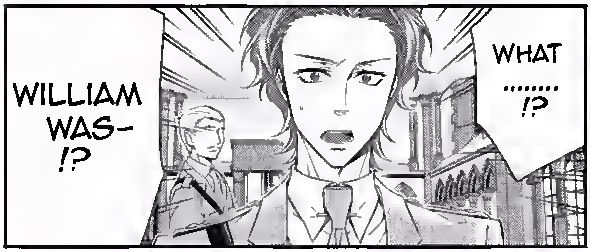
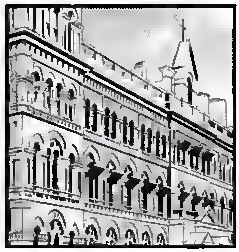
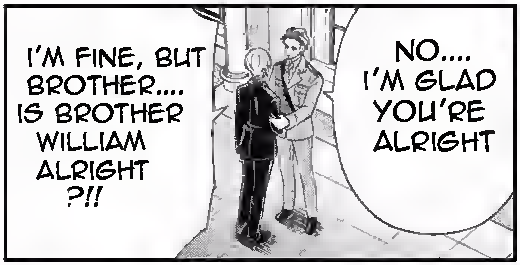
KUH...
SORRY
WAI-
AH .....
BROTHER WAS .....
BROTHER WAS KIDNAPPED ..... !!
M. MORAN
WHAT'S WRONG, LOUIS ?!

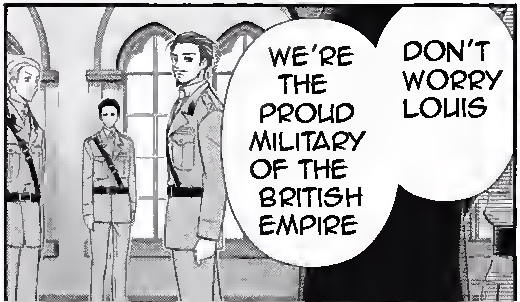

T-THAT'S BIG NEW .....!!
WHAT'S GOING ON ?
SOMEONE WAS KIDNAPPED ..... WAS IT A NOBLE ?!
WHO WOULD .....
KIDNAPPED ?!!
HA !?


WILLIAM WAS- !?
WHAT ..... !?




I'M FINE, BUT BROTHER.... IS BROTHER WILLIAM ALRIGHT ?!!
NO.... I'M GLAD YOU'RE ALRIGHT

I'M SORRY
EVEN THOUGH I WAS WITH HIM


WE'RE THE PROUD MILITARY OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE
DON'T WORRY LOUIS

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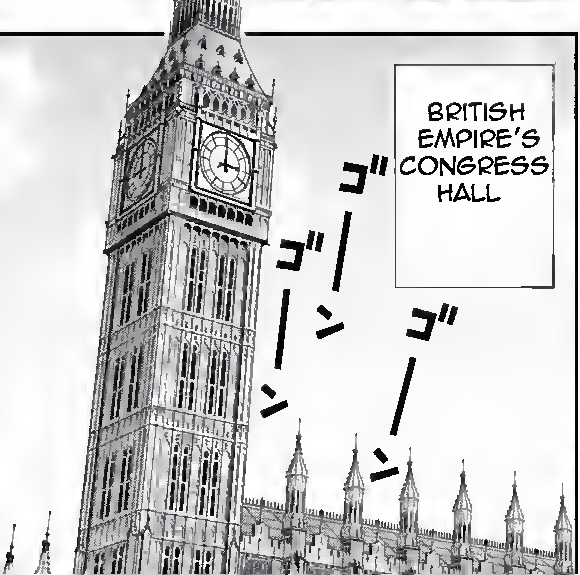
THAT'S RIGHT !!
LEAVE IT TO US, WE'LL DEFINITELY SAVE HIM !!
EVERYONE ....!

BUT AS A CITIZEN. ..... WHAT GOOD IS THE MILITARY IF WE CAN'T SAVE ONE SINGLE PERSON
NOT JUST AS MY LOVELY LITTLE BROTHER
....!


BRITISH EMPIRE'S CONGRESS HALL
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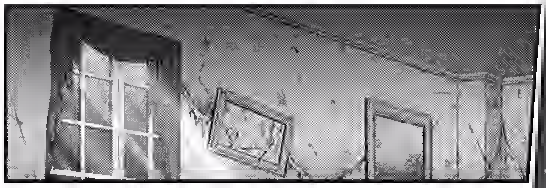
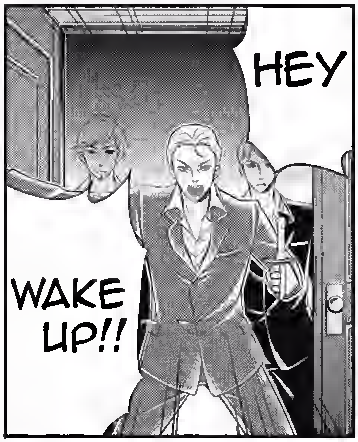
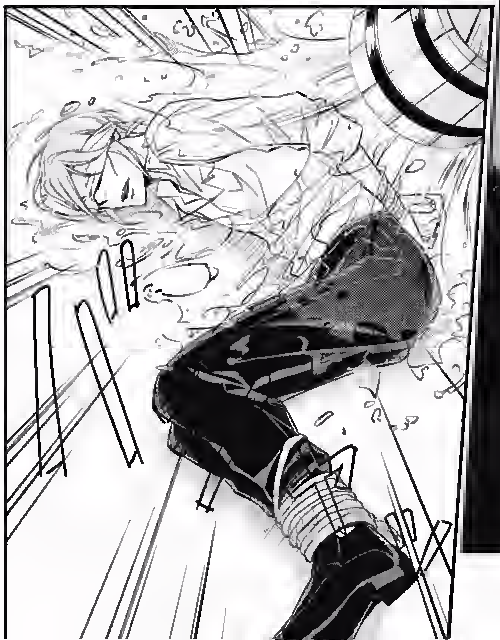
Noble Family Member Kidnapped
Late Earl Moriarty's Second Son Taken
LATER EARL MORIARTY'S SECOND SON TAKEN

HE WANTS TO PERSONALLY TAKE COMMAND OF THE RESCUE OPERATION ?
YES
SCOTTLAND YARD SIMPLY DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH PEOPLE TO CONDUCT A SEARCH, IS IT ?
WHAT A PITY .....
TO HAVE HIS LITTLE BROTHER KIDNAPPED IS TRAGIC
THE MILITARY ALSO OBLIGE TO THIS IDEA
UNDERSTOOD. SEND HIM TO THE RESCUE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
YESSIR !
ALSO, AN UNFORTUNATE COINCIDENCE IS THAT THE TROUPS HE'S LEADING ARE CURRENTLY STATIONNED IN LONDON, THUS CANNOT HELP .....
YES ..... WE DO NEED A LOT OF PEOPLE FOR A SEARCH

LIEUTENANT MORIARTY
YOUR UNIT'S RAID WAS APPROVED
THE CONGRESS AND THE GENERALS SYMPATHISED WITH YOU
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
I WILL DEFINITELY RETRIEVE MY LITTLE BROTHER
YEAH ..... HOWEVER, LONDON IS A BIG CITY
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHERE TO START ?
..... YES
I HAVE
A MAGNIFICIENT CONSULTANT TO HELP ME




HEY
WAKE UP!!



FOLLOW US
THIS WAY
TSK
THIS IS .....
BOSS
COME IN
HE~
YOU'LL KNOW SOON ENOUGH

WILLIAM JAMES MORIARTY .....
WELCOME TO MY CASTLE

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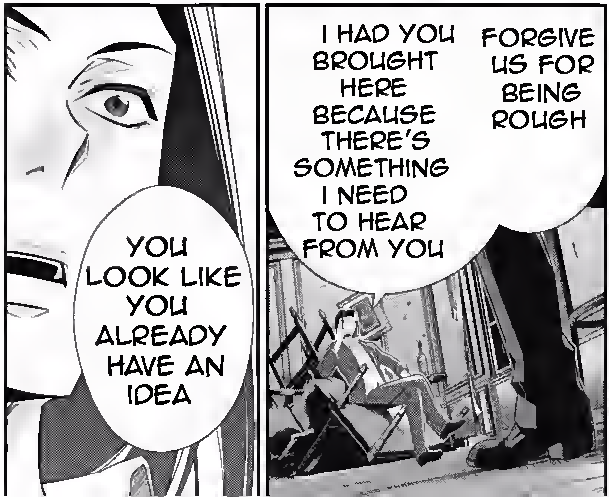
YOU ARE .....
SIT DOWN !


FORGIVE US FOR BEING ROUGH
I HAD YOU BROUGHT HERE BECAUSE THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU ALREADY HAVE AN IDEA

HUH .....?
AND SO, I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO IDEA AS TO WHAT YOUR AIM MIGHT BE
WELL LET'S SEE ..... THIS DOESN'T SEEM TO BE THE SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY NOR THE UNIVERSITY
I'M ASKING YOU WHERE DID ALL THE OPIUM GO ?
YOU HEARD IT ALL FROM DADORI, DIDN'T YOU?
DON'T GO SPOUTING NONSENSE

ACCORDING TO MY SUBORDINATE IN DURHAM
YOU TOOK EVERYTHING AND HID IT
TO THIS GENIUS MATHEMATICIEN PROFESSOR, IT'S ONLY A TOY, RIGHT ?
GIVE IT BACK TO ME .....
IF THE HIGHER-UPS WERE TO LEARN IT ALL GOT STOLEN, I COULD LOSE MY NECK, YOU KNOW .....!
NOW, SPIT IT !!
.....
OUR EQUALITY .....
THAT IS YOUR ANSWER

YOU DAMNED !!
DON'T LOOK DOWN ON ME !!!
IF YOU WON'T TALK I'LL KILL YOU AND ALL YOUR FAMILY .....

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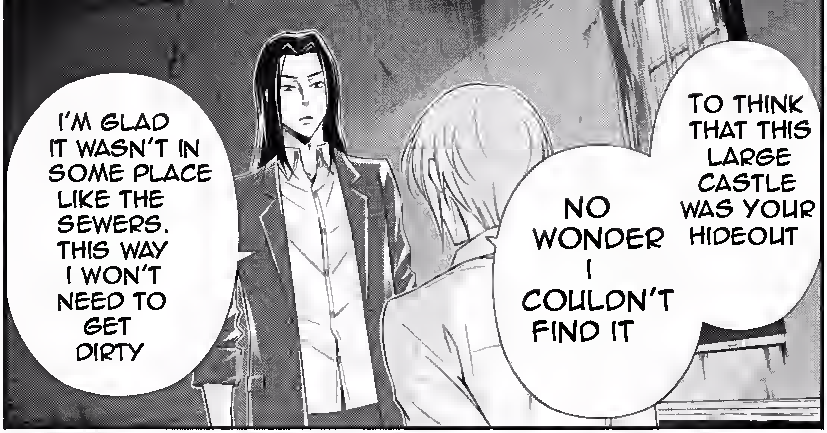
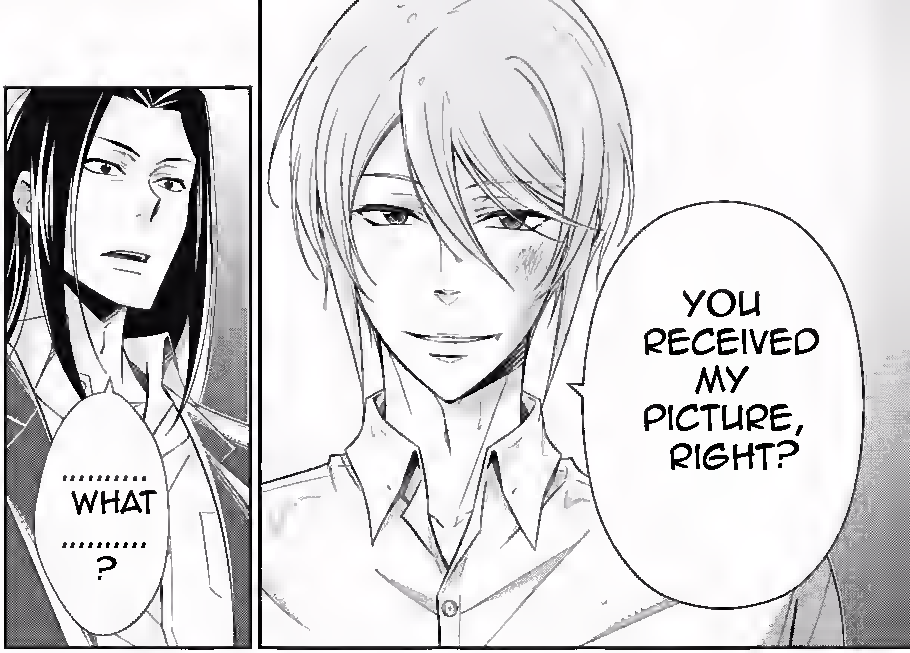
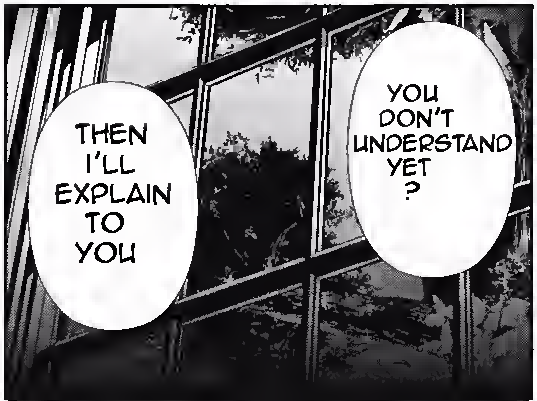
IT WAS UNEX-PECTED
"MARINE"
" THE HEART OF THE ORGANISATION IS IN LONDON"
.....
IT WAS ON DADORI'S MEMO

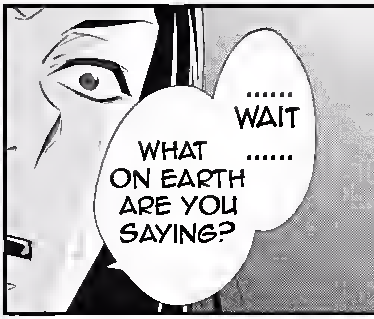

TO THINK THAT THIS LARGE CASTLE WAS YOUR HIDEOUT
NO WONDER I COULDN'T FIND IT
I'M GLAD IT WASN'T IN SOME PLACE LIKE THE SEWERS. THIS WAY I WON'T NEED TO GET DIRTY

IT LOOKS LIKE SOME VERY INFLUENCIAL NOBLE FAMILY IS BEHIND THIS ORGANISATION
THE TRUE OWNER OF THE MANSION
WHOEVER HE IS, HE'S A HARD PERSON TO LAY A HAND ON
..... HA
LOOKS LIKE YOU REALLY WANT TO DIE
THAT'S WHY I USED YOU

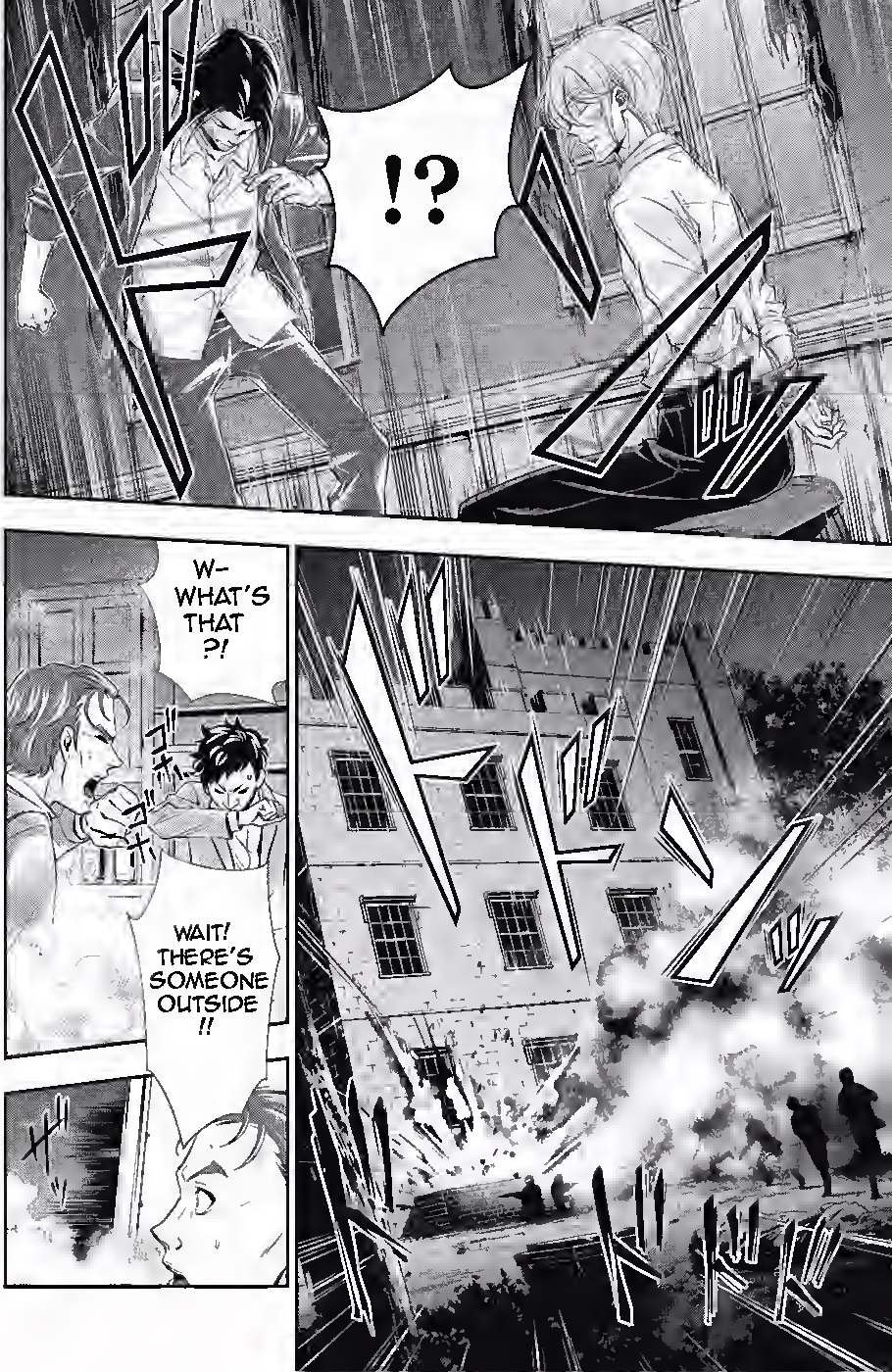

YOU RECEIVED MY PICTURE, RIGHT?
..... WHAT ..... ?

I SEND IT TO YOU SO YOU WOULD AIM FOR ME AND NOT TAKE LOUIS BY MISTAKE
GETTING IT READY FOR YOUR SUBORDINATE
.....
IT WAS A RELIEF WHEN YOU TALK TO ME AT THE STATION


YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND YET ?
THEN I'LL EXPLAIN TO YOU


..... WAIT ..... WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU SAYING?

FROM THE VERY BEGINNING, YOU GUYS WERE NOTHING MORE THAN PIECES I COULD USE
I'LL TELL YOU ONE MORE THING
THE ANSWER TO THE EQUATION FROM EARLIER
IT'S ZERO
THIS IS ALL SOMETHING I PLOTTED
THIS, CRIME CONSULTANT WILLIAM JAMES MORIARTY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WHAT'S
THAT
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WAIT!
THERE'S
SOMEONE
OUTSIDE
!!

THE LIEUTENANT WILL HEAD UP TO THE SECOND FLOOR
YOU TWO, COME WITH ME
WE'LL TAKE OVER THE BASEMENT

WHA- MILITARY TROOPS !?
WHY ARE THEY HERE .....
YOUR SOLDIERS ARE A LOT LESS CAPABLE THAN I THOUGHT
TO NOT CORRECTLY TIE UP A HOSTAGE
"WHY" ? THAT'S EASY
FROM THE MOMENT I WAS KIDNAPPED, MY COMRADES WERE FOLLOWING BEING
AND TO GET EVERYTHING SET UP IN A ROOM WITH A BIG WINDOW ..... AREN'T YOU BEING NAIVE?

WELL, EVEN IF IT WERE A ROOM WITHOUT WINDOWS, I HAD ANOTHER WAY TO COMMUNICATE THOUGHT UP
EVEN NOW, I CAN EXCHANGE SIGNALS WITH MY COMRADE OUTSIDE
BASTARD .....!!
LET'S PUNISH YOU, SHALL WE !!
..... NOW,

YEAH!
WE HAVE CONTROL OF THE FIRST FLOOR
ORAAAA!!
W-WHO ON EARTH .....
ARE—
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IT'S BEEN AWHILE, COLONEL
YOU HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF THE LEFTOVERS TOO
ALBERT, YOU BASTARD
TAKING OVER AS YOU PLEASE
NO, THIS SURE HAS BECOME SERIOUS
WHEN I CAME TO SAVE MY LITTLE BROTHER FROM THE KIDNAPPERS
.....NO..... EVEN THOUGH I ONLY CAME TO SAVE HIM

COINCIDENTIALLY ENOUGH IT TURNS OUT THE CULPRITS WERE ACTUALLY FROM THE DRUG ORGANISATION
AND AGAIN, COINCIDENTIALLY, WE FOUND A HUGE AMOUNT OF OPIUM IN THE BASEMENT

YOU TOTALLY SUCKS AT PUTTING ON A SHOW .....
WELL THEN, HOW EXACTLY AM I SUPPOSED TO REPORT THIS
HOW TROUBLESOME

THE REASON I MADE YOU KIDNAP ME
.....
DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW ?
.....
TSK
I KNEW THAT THE MILITARY COULDN'T LAY A HAND ON YOU BECAUSE YOU'RE BEING PROTECTED BY A STRONG NOBLE
SO WE NEEDED SOMTHING LIKE A KIDNAPPING CASE TO GO AFTER YOU
AFTERWARDS, IF THE KIDNAPPERS HAPPENED TO BE THE DRUG ORGANISATION, THEY CAN NO LONGER TURN A BLIND EYE
THE MOMENT YOU LAYED YOUR HAND ON ME
YOUR DEFEAT WAS ALREADY DECIDED
DAMNED.....!!!

WILLIAM!!
.....
YOU'RE FINE, RIGHT?
YEAH
NEXT
.....
NOW THAT WE KNOW THE PROFESSOR IS ALRIGHT
TAKE EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM DOWN
AND PUT EVERYTHING IN STORAGE

WHAT DID YOU SAY !!?
W-
EVERYTHING WAS JUST A COINCIDENCE
IT'S ALL AS I'VE JUST REPORTED
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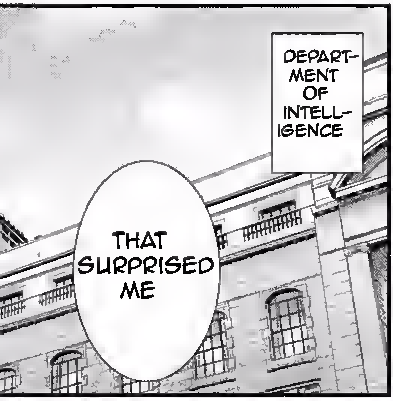
WE MANAGE TO RETRIVE MY BROTHER SAFE AND SOUND
THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME DO THIS
WHAT A THING TO ……


DEPARTMENT OF INTELLIGENCE
THAT SURPRISED ME

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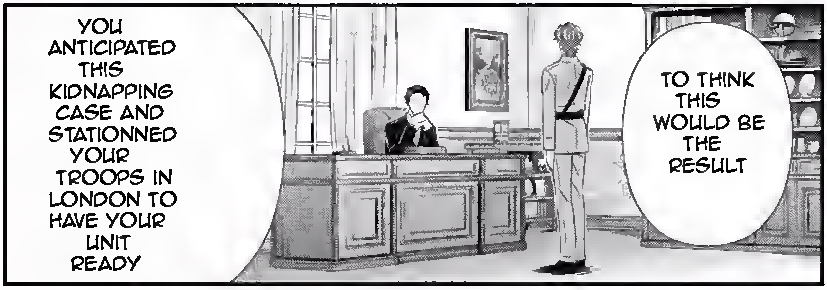
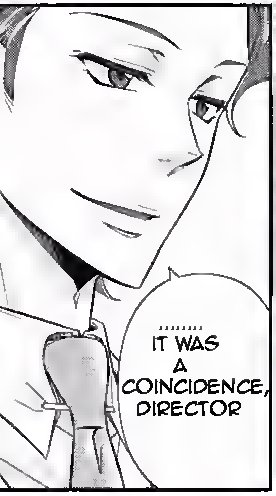
HM ……
A COMRADE OF THE ONE BEHIND THE ORGANISATION ?
DAMNED POLITICIANS


YOU ANTICIPATED THIS KIDNAPPING CASE AND STATIONNED YOUR TROOPS IN LONDON TO HAVE YOUR UNIT READY
TO THINK THIS WOULD BE THE RESULT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IT WAS A COINCIDENCE, DIRECTOR

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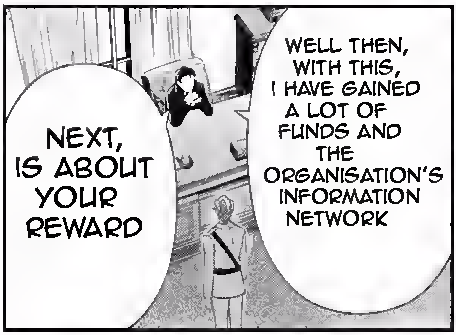
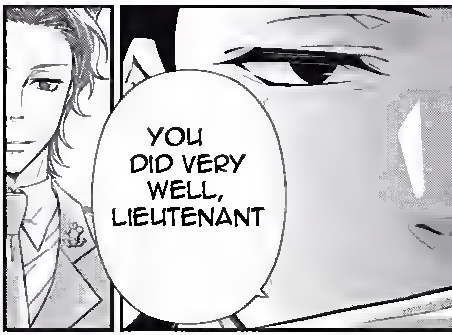
I WONDER JUST HOW MUCH OF THIS WAS PLANNED

FU.... WITH THIS OPIUM CASE, THE HIGHER-UPS BEHIND THIS HAD TO OPENLY SHOW THEIR TAILS TO US
SOMEONE WILL HOLD A GRUDGE TOWARDS YOU WHO IS ALSO A NOBLE AND DUKE
BUT WON'T LET IT SHOW


WELL THEN, WITH THIS, I HAVE GAINED A LOT OF FUNDS AND THE ORGANISATION'S INFORMATION NETWORK
NEXT, IS ABOUT YOUR REWARD


YOU DID VERY WELL, LIEUTENANT

WHEN THAT SECRET PLAN OF YOURS SUCCEED, I'D LIKE TO BE PROMOTED TO COLONEL
IN OTHER WORD
WHEN THE SHADOW UNIT IS ESTABLISHED, I'D LIKE TO COMMAND IT

"WHAT ARE YOUR DEMANDS ?"

M……
I WILL LEAVE IT TO YOU
SO YOU CAN START A NEW PAPER COMPANY. I'LL HAVE YOU CALLED IT "M"
FROM NOW ON, ON THE SURFACE, YOU'LL BE RETIRING FROM THE MILITARY
YOU'LL HAVE EVERYTHING YOU ASKED FOR

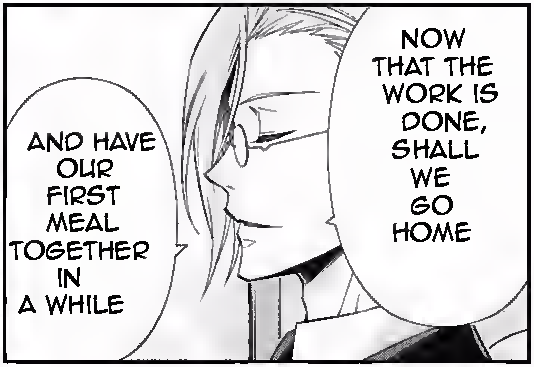
THIS MIG
6TH DIVISION, UNKNOWN TO THE PUBLIC
MY INTELL-IGENCE DEPART-MENT'S

BROTHER ALBERT
LOUIS ..... EVEN WILLIAM
YOU CAME TO GET ME?
..... BROTHER
DID YOU GET THE THING YOU WANTED?

GOOD IDEA
I WAS LOOKING FOWARD TO IT TOO
NEXT TIME IT'S FINALLY THAT MAN'S FIRST APPEARANCE!
憂国のモリアーティ
1月号につづく

YEAH .....
EVERYTHING WENT EXACTLY AS YOU SAID

I'M GLAD
WE CAN NOW FINALLY MOVE FOWARD


NOW THAT THE WORK IS DONE, SHALL WE GO HOME
AND HAVE OUR FIRST MEAL TOGETHER IN A WHILE